

NATIONAL DEFENCE.

A Special General Meeting of the LORD LIEUTENANT, and DEPUTY LIEUTENANTS of the City of Edinburgh, and Districts adjoining, held within the Council Chamber of the City of Edinburgh, the 4th of May 1798.

PRESENT,

The Right Hon. Lord Lieutenant, Patrick Crichton, Esq. William Crichton, Esq. Malcolm Wright, Esq. Walter Wood, Esq. Thomas Henderson, Esq. John Hutton, Esq. Barclay Fife, Esq. William Calder, Esq. William Gibson, Esq. James Clephane, Esq. Alexander Boag, Esq.

THE LORD LIEUTENANT IN THE CHAIR.

The following Papers were produced by the Lord Lieutenant and read: His Majesty's Order to the Lord Lieutenant for holding General and Division Meetings. The Act of Parliament, cap. 27, of the present year, relative to the Militia. The Lord Lieutenant, from the Right Hon. Secretary Dundas, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, dated respectively the 6th and 12th days of April last.

RESOLUTIONS.

That, at the present important crisis, it is a duty incumbent on every description to use their best endeavours, and exertions, for the defence of their country, and the preservation of their religion, their laws, and their liberties, against the attacks of an enemy aiming at nothing less than the plunder of the country, the destruction of our commerce, and the complete overthrow of the British Constitution.

COUNTY OF DUMFRIES.

A General Meeting of the Lord Lieutenant and Deputy Lieutenants, Freeholders, Justices of the Peace, and Landholders of the County of DUMFRIES, held within the County Hall of Dumfries, upon the 30th day of April 1798.

COUNTY OF BERWICK.

A Meeting of the Lord Lieutenant, Deputy Lieutenants, and Justices of Peace of the County of Berwick, held within the County Hall of Berwick, the 7th May, 1798.

COUNTY OF STIRLING.

A Meeting held at Stirling, the 7th of May 1798, consisting of the King's Lieutenant, the Deputy Lieutenants, and Justices of the Peace of the County of Stirling, for the purpose of carrying into execution "An Act to enable His Majesty more effectually to provide for the defence and security of the Realm, and for indemnifying persons who may suffer in their property by such measures as may be necessary for that purpose."

HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF MONTROSE.

The Lord Lieutenant laid before the Meeting letters which he had received from the Secretary of State, containing instructions for carrying the above mentioned Act into execution, with other communications and schedules referred to, and also submitted for consideration a proposal included to him, by the Right Honourable Henry Dundas, for rendering the body of the people instrumental to the general defence of the country.

That, having heard read, and considered the before mentioned Act, letters, and papers, they unanimously approve of the plans adopted by Government for the more effectual defence of the country, and declare, That it is the duty of all persons of every description, at this time, voluntarily to come forward, and use their utmost exertions for the defence of the constitution, and the preservation of the country now threatened by a formidable force; and that exertions should not only be voluntary, but immediate and vigorous, to baffle the efforts of an enemy aiming at nothing short of the destruction of every thing this nation values and holds dear.

The Meeting, with order, and appoint all Schoolmasters, Constables, and other Officers of the County, to attend, obey, and assist the Deputy Lieutenants and Justices of the Peace, in their duty, and to give all the aid in their power to carry the objects of the Act before alluded to into effect; and the Deputy Lieutenants are requested by themselves, or in conjunction with other Lieutenants, as they find most convenient, to see the Act put into execution without delay, as a measure greatly interesting the public safety.

It is also the opinion of this Meeting, That, as the possession of numerous, truly, and well appointed bodies of cavalry, is peculiarly desirable, in the prospect of invasion, and for the preservation of the internal peace and good order of the country—Therefore, the Meeting particularly recommend to all Gentlemen, Yeomen, and Farmers, within the county, who are accustomed to keep horses, to join, and form Volunteer Corps of Cavalry, to be under the command of the Gentlemen residing in the county.

That the Meeting be adjourned to the 5th day of June next, then further to consider the business which has engaged the Meeting this day, and to receive the reports of the Deputy Lieutenants;—but, should the Deputy Lieutenants find any difficulty in carrying these measures into effect, they are desired to apply for legal information to the proper Officers of the Crown, and to the King's Lieutenant, for any other assistance they may require.

That these Resolutions be published in the press papers; and that copies be printed and reprinted, in the Deputy Lieutenants, and by them to the resident acting Justices of the Peace, for the information of the County.

Mr Gladstone of Douglass moved, and it was resolved unanimously, That the thanks of the Meeting be given to His Grace the Lord Lieutenant, for the assistance he has afforded, the communications he has made, in explaining to the Meeting the objects to which their attention ought particularly to be directed.

STIRLING-SHIRE. THE LORD LIEUTENANT OF STIRLING-SHIRE, and the Deputy Lieutenants, have fixed Tuesday the 22d of May, at ten forenoon, for the first Ballot under the Militia Act. To take place at the Town-house of Stirling.

SUCH Young Men as are inclined to serve as Substitutes in the Militia for Scotland, will receive a handsome Bounty by applying to Messrs William Goddard and Messrs Cha. Hunt, Dunfermline.

W. Inglis, Esq. Inverness. W. Reid, Banff. T. Eddie and Son, Forres. P. Booth, Aberdeen. J. Miller, Montrose. D. Johnston of Lathrig, Esq. J. Inches, Dundee. C. Cumine and Co. Peterhead. C. Adams, Dundee. D. Rickard, Brechin. Bet. Archer, and Co. Cupar Angus. P. Gorthie, Kierriemuir. A. Paterson, Thurso. D. Mann, postmaster, Forfar. J. Kelly, Auchtermuchty. G. Haggie, Kirkcaldy. Robert Geddie, Cupar Fife. Mr Walker, Elly. Mr Robert Hutton, Dunfermline. D. Crichton and Co. Dalkeith. Hay Smith, Haddington. A. Watson, Dunbar. D. Renton, Eyemouth. J. Gracie, Dumfries. J. Turnbull, Dundee. A. Allan, Lauder. R. Murray, Wigton.

TO BE SOLD BY PRIVATE BARGAIN. THE LANDS and ESTATE of ARCHBIE, lying in the Shires of Stirling, Perth, and Argyllshire, either altogether, or in such lots as shall be agreed on. For further particulars enquire at Robert Haldane, Esq. the proprietor, or Mr Duncan, writer to the signet.

Not to be repeated.

THE LOTHIANS AND BERWICKSHIRE REGIMENT OF MILITIA.

A FEW SUBSTITUTES will soon be wanted for the above Regiment, and notice will be given to whom to apply for particulars.

DUMFRIES-SHIRE, ROXBURGH-SHIRE, &c. REGIMENT OF MILITIA.

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PERTHSHIRE. PERTH, MAY 8. 1798.

A General Adjourned Meeting of the Lord Lieutenant of Perthshire, and the Deputy Lieutenants, held here this day, in obedience to the Acts of Parliament for embodying a Militia force in Scotland, and agreeably to the order of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

For the Parishes of Perth. Men. 23. Scene 5. Abernethy 9. Forganenny 5. Meikle 9. Dron 3. Rhind 1. Cargill 9. Dumbarny 3. Kincaid 6. Kinclaven 4. Aberdalgie 5. Tippermuir 4. Moneydie 8. Dunning 9. St Martin's 7. Rodgerston 6. Forteviot 9. Collice 6. Methven 10. Finto-Gask 2.

For the Parishes of Kinfauns 4. Inchture 4. Fowls Rafter 2. Errol 13. Longforgan 7. Kilpindie 4. Kinnsaird 3. Abernethy 1. St Madois 2.

For the Parishes of Dunblane 8. Port 8. Callendar 7. Lecropt 4. Aberfoul 2. Logie 6. Kincaid 6. Kilmadock 15.

For the Parishes of Ochterarder 9. Glendovan 1. Muckhart 2.

For the Parishes of Weem 6. Fortingal 13. Kenmore 14. Killin 14. Dull 18.

For the Parishes of Alyth 11. Bendochy 3. Kinloch 3. Blairgowrie 6. Kirkmichael 4. Raturay 4.

For the Parishes of Balquidder 5. Crieff 7. Blackford 7. Comrie 7. Monzie 11. Madderty 4. Moneyvaid 2. Fowls Weir 11. Muthill 12. Strowan 1. Trinity Gask 2.

For the Parishes of Culrois 5. Tullich 4.

For the Parishes of Blair & Strow 13. Dowlally & Dun 13. Caputh 13. Moline 9. Little Dunkeld 9. Clony 7. Logierait 13. Ochtergaven 9. Lethendy 4.

N. B. The Schoolmasters of the several parishes are required to attend the ballot.

The Lord Lieutenant requests the attendance of the Freeholders, Justices of the Peace, and Commissioners of Supply of the county of Perth, at twelve o'clock noon, of the 31st of May current, at Perth. He proposes to lay before them the reports of the Deputy Lieutenants, respecting the offers of service received by them for the defence of the country, in order that the Gentlemen of the county of Perth may then take into their consideration the importance of carrying into speedy execution a plan for contributing towards the further defence of the realm.

SUMMER FASHIONS. SHIRREFF and DUGGON respectfully inform the Ladies, That one of the Partners is just returned from London, where he has been these three weeks past, for the sole purpose of selecting every New and Fashionable article in the Linen-draper's line.

An advertisement is too circumscribed to explain this vast combination of Fancy and Elegance, but they are certain none else in this kingdom can display a better assortment.—Below are a few that is much in demand:

BISHOPS BLUSH PRINTED MUSLINS. Do. do. GLOVES and MITTS. Do. do. STRAW and CHIP HATS, in endless variety.

N. B.—Their new assortment of London and Manchester FURNITURES are well worth the attention of such as may be furnishing new Lodgings, they being remarkable for their beauty and execution.

CABINET FURNITURE BY AUCTION. No. 15, South Bridge.

A LARGE Warehouse of very fine Fashionable Mahogany Furniture consisting of Side Boards, Secretaries, Chaises, Desks, and Drawers—also several sets of very rare Mahogany Dining and Breakfast Tables, Tea Boards and Buff Stands—

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE. To be Sold by Auction, by ANDREW LAURIE, on Friday the 11th current, in Buccleugh Place, north side of the Street, first floor from George's Square, second floor from the pavement.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE. To be Sold by Auction, by WILLIAM BRUCE, on Monday the 14th of May current, in the house at the fourth-east corner of George's Square, first floor up stairs, lately possessed by Lady Nisbet of Dean.

THE Furniture of said house, consisting of Dining Room, Drawing Room, Bed Chamber, and Kitchen Furniture &c. &c.

THE ROYAL TELEGRAPH. Commenced running the 9th ult.

A New and Elegant Light Coach, with Four Horses, Careful Drivers, with a Guard and Lamps the whole way.

Setts out from Mr Cameron's Hotel, No. 2, Prince's Street, New Town, Edinburgh, Every Morning at Six o'clock. The above coach goes by Leith, Haddington, Dunbar, Perth, Berwick, Belford, Alnwick, Peking, and Morpeth, and arrives at Mr Loftus's, Shakespeare Tavern, Newcastle, in eighteen hours; when the passengers will have seven hours rest, and may depend on the best accommodation.

Setts out from Mr Loftus's Every Morning, at Seven o'clock, and arrives in London in forty-eight hours.

The above Coach goes through Durham, Darlington, Catterick, Rippon, Harrogate, Leeds, Wakefield, Bradford, Sheffield, Chesterfield, Mansfield, Nottingham, Loughborough, Leicester, Harborough, Northampton, Dunstable, St Alban's, and Barnet.

Fare from Edinburgh to London direct, (inside), L. 6 16 6. Ditto, ditto, (outside), 4 5 0. Ditto to Newcastle, (inside), 2 2 0. Ditto, ditto, (outside), 1 9 0.

If any passenger wishes to have another night's rest at Leeds, which of course must be a very great convenience, they will be forwarded in the True Briton next morning, which arrives in London the following afternoon.

The fare in this case, (inside), L. 6 6 0. Ditto, (outside), 3 14 0.

The above coach meets at Leeds the Huddersfield, Marfield, Oldham, Manchester, Warrington, and Liverpool coaches—also meets at Sheffield the Boston, Derby, Barton, Litchfield, Birmingham, Coventry, Worcester, Warwick, Kidderminster, Wolverhampton, Gloucester, Oxford, Bristol, Bath, Exeter, and Plymouth coaches—also coaches to all parts in the West of England.

The ROYAL TELEGRAPH also sets out from Mr Loftus's every morning at eight o'clock for Edinburgh, and arrives at Mr Cameron's in eighteen hours, where the passengers will be accommodated with beds, if required.

The proprietors flatter themselves, that the advantages attending this coach will be obvious to every one, not only from its going through all the principal manufacturing towns in England with the greatest expedition, but also at a cheaper rate than any coach in the kingdom. The utmost attention will be paid to the accommodation of the passengers. The proprietors therefore hope their endeavours will insure them that encouragement which they will always studiously endeavour to deserve.

The proprietors cannot be accountable for any parcels or luggage of more value than five pounds, if lost or damaged, unless entered as such, and paid accordingly.

The above coach is particularly adapted for carrying parcels; and for small parcels of great value there is a commodious place under the guard's seat appropriated for that purpose.

Any person wishing to be informed of any further particulars respecting the Royal Telegraph may be satisfied by inquiring at Mr Hugh Findlay, merchant, Nether-Bow, Edinburgh, one of the proprietors.

N. B. To accommodate the Ladies and Gentlemen of Leith, Tickets may be had by applying to Mr John Hutchinford, woolen-draper there, another of the proprietors.

ROYAL MAIL COACH. WILLIAM DRYSDALE, and the other Contractors of his Majesty's ROYAL MAIL COACH, return their most sincere thanks to the Nobility, Gentry, and Public in general for the liberal encouragement they have experienced since the commencement of the Mail Coach, and hope for a continuance of the public favour; to deserve which nothing shall be a wanting to make it preferable to any other conveyance in the kingdom.

The General Post-Office having settled with the Contractors of the Mail Coach to go through Leith for the better accommodation of the correspondence and conveyance of the inhabitants there, it is hoped they will continue the encouragement which the Mail Coach has hitherto experienced from them, by that accommodation, as the Contractors of the Mail Coach did not charge Passengers any thing additional on that account.

Setts out from the Turn Cuffshouse every Tuesday day at four o'clock afternoon, and Sundays at three o'clock.

From Edinburgh to Newcastle, L. 2 8 0. Do. do. York, 3 13 6. Do. do. London, 7 15 6.

At the York Tavern the above Coaches meet the London, Liverpool, Hull, Scarborough and Whitby Mail Coaches, also the Leeds and Hull Light Coaches, which set out from the York Tavern and the Black Swan, for the said places twice every day.

Fares in the above Mails. From York to Leeds, L. 0 10 0. To Manchester, 1 11 6. To Liverpool, 2 6 0. To Hull, 0 14 0. To Scarborough, 0 13 0. To Whitby, 0 10 0.

Fares in the Light Coaches. From York to Hull, L. 0 12 0. To Leeds, 0 8 0.

The Proprietors of the HIGHFLYER are getting elegant new Coaches, having been at a considerable expense in fixing the same upon an improved plan, (with guards and lamps) so as to run through the two Metropolises without any interruption whatever, flatter themselves that by a strict attention to the working and regularity of the said Coach on every part of the road, they shall merit the patronage and support of the Public, for whose accommodation no expense shall be spared.

Passengers coming from the North, by the Coach will, on their arrival at York, be certain of meeting with good conveyance to any part of the kingdom, without incurring any delay whatever.

N. B. The Proprietors are not accountable for any parcels, &c. above Five Pounds Sterling, unless the value is declared, and paid for accordingly.—Cash, Plate, or Jewels will not be carried on any account.—Boxes, Parcels, &c. must be packed up so as to undergo the friction of the carriage.

THE MERCURY DILIGENCE to GLASGOW continues to set out from the Turn Cuffshouse every day at 11 o'clock forenoon.

GREAT BRITAIN. WILL cover this season at Noblehouse, at Two Guineas a mare, and got a crown to the Groom.

Great Britain was half by Marguis, his dam by Adamant, his grand-dam by Old Dragon, out of Miss Fanny. He is a beautiful bright bay horse, eight years old, full fifteen hands high, with uncommon bone and strength, and free of blemish; is allowed by all judges that have seen him very promising to get every kind of stock, as few horses can equal him for good temper, vigour, or strong constitution. He has covered three seasons, is very fruitful, and the colts of his get from blooded mares are strong, healthy, and handsome, and thus from common mares very promising, and have sold at high prices.



WHITEHALL, May 5, 1798.

THE King has been pleased to grant the dignity of a Baronet of the kingdom of Great Britain to the Right Honourable John William Anderson, of Mill Hill, Hendon, in the county of Middlesex, Esq. Lord Mayor of the city of London, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten.

[This Gazette also announces the capture of the Batavian Republican brig Le Courier of 12 guns, by the Scorpion, Capt. J. T. Rodd—and La Sans Souci French lugger, 1 twelve pounder, and 2 brigs fours by the Telmachus cutter, Lieut. Newton.]

## BANKRUPTS.

Edward Sargeant the younger, Minor, London, dealer.  
William Boorman, London, warehouseman.  
David Bowdler, Exeter, grocer.  
Samuel Frost, Cambridge, brazer.  
Eubule Burgess and Henry Wardle, Manchester, corn-dealers.  
William Kerr, Stockport, muslin manufacturer.  
Richard Mason, Salford, Dyer.  
Christopher Buckton, Westminster, printer.  
John Tiffet, Loughton, Bucks farmer.

## FROM THE FRENCH PAPERS.

"Nothing new has occurred in the situation of our flotilla," says a letter from Havre, dated 4th Floreal, (April 23.) "It is still at Salanellas, and the English are still on our coasts."

A letter from Corfica states, that the coral fisheries on the coast of Africa have been abandoned, the sailors being taken away by the French for some expedition, the object of which is not known. We have good reason to believe, however, says the French Journalist, that the French fleet in the port of Genoa is destined to take possession of Sardinia, with the consent of the Court of Turin.

## VENICE, APRIL 12.

Letters from Zante state, that some disturbances took place there lately, on account of a requisition made by the French commandant, who, not being able to obtain the whole of it, demanded hostages who were carried to Corfu. In the night time, a great number of the inhabitants took up arms, put off to sea, surprised the transports, killed all the French who composed the escort, and got possession of the hostages, and 20,000 ducats which had been paid as part of the contribution. This intelligence, however, is not yet known with any certainty.

## MILAN, APRIL 20.

A melancholy piece of intelligence has been received here—Jean Bon St Andre, known to all patriots as a friend of the people and of liberty—Jean Bon St Andre, who was sent by the Government of the French Republic to the Dey of Algiers, has been, it is said, decapitated by the African despot.—If this horrid fact be true, the Moorish tyrant has been serving the white tyrants of Europe; he has sacrificed an enemy of despotism, a lover of liberty.

## PARIS, APRIL 25.

The intelligence of Bernadotte having quitted Vienna, in consequence of the plans formed against him, is confirmed. He has retired to Raftadt. The Directory will no doubt publish some official details on this event, which, considering the pacific dispositions of the Directory, will not, it is hoped kindle up the flames of war between the French Republic and Austria, as the English and Russian Ambassadors, who are supposed not to have been unacquainted with those movements perhaps wished.

To the above details, one of our Journals adds the following, which we shall give without vouching for the truth of it:—

The Ambassadors of Russia and England, incensed at the distinguished reception which Bernadotte met with at the Court of Vienna, excited the whole crew of their domestics to make an attack upon him, but the French General made his way through them and returned to Ingolstadt. The people and the garrison of Vienna had no share in this insult. On the contrary, they testified the utmost sorrow for what had happened, and for the departure of our Ambassador. The Emperor has sent an extraordinary courier to the Directory, to disavow this attack, and to assure them of the most signal satisfaction. It appears certain, that the Austrian Government is far from having taken any part in this tumult, and is extremely sorry for it.

Buonaparte has not yet quitted this city. The late intelligence from Vienna seems to have occasioned his departure to be put off for a few days.

## APRIL 28.

Very violent altercations are said to have taken place lately between the French Ambassador and the Archduke Charles. Things, it is said, were carried to such a length, that the Emperor was obliged to fend the Archduke out of the way, and to make him leave Vienna for a few days.

## APRIL 30.

If letters from Germany are to be credited, a treaty of alliance was concluded between the Emperor and the King of Prussia, on the 19th Germinal, April 8.

The late events at Vienna have spread the utmost consternation at Raftadt. It is much apprehended they will give rise to a war which will involve all Germany in ruin.

Letters from America, dated 25 Ventose (March 15) state, that the Republican party in the House of Representatives were preparing to annul the private treaty which Mr Jay had concluded with England.

Pleville-Lepeley, the Minister of the Marine, has persisted in the resignation which he gave in some time ago. The Executive Directory have appointed in his stead Rear-Admiral Bruix, Major-General of the naval army at Brest at the time of the expedition against Ireland. Bruix entered on the duties of his office yesterday.

The Bernese bears are arrived at Paris.

We wait with lively impatience to see the part which the Legislative body will take relative to the various choices which have taken place, and which seem to threaten us with the return of revolutionary tyranny.—The Directory pronounces most decidedly against the usurpation of pretended popular suffrages. The Directory does not disguise that there is a faction spread over the country, united in object and exertion hostile to the existing Constitution, and tinctured with the most detestable principles of terrorism. It is likewise asserted by the official Journals, that as last year the partisans of royalty displayed the royal standard, the partisans of terrorism have this year openly avowed their objects.

It is neither to Dunkirk, nor to Brest, nor to Toulon, that Buonaparte is about to set off. It is to Raftadt, and he sets off without fail this day.—27th April.

## London.

MAY 7.

SIR SYDNEY SMITH

Reached the Admiralty yesterday afternoon, at a quarter past one o'clock, in a post-chaise from Portsmouth, (to which place he made his escape from France on Saturday evening, in a manner as astonishing as it was fortunate) accompanied by Mr Wright, his clerk, and a French Emigrant, who were confined in the same prison with him, namely, the Temple, at Paris. The circumstances attending their extraordinary escape were as follow:—

The three prisoners were ordered by the Executive Directory to be removed from the capital to another part of the country, under a strong escort of cavalry. After travelling in a carriage a few leagues they came to a small town, where there was a serious election riot, which the Municipal Officers in vain attempted to quell. The guard over the captives was called upon to assist, while the drivers and all the inhabitants were directing their whole attention to the tumultuous scene. This favourable moment was seized by the prisoners, who left the coach, and escaped out of the town. The emigrant knew the country; he led them through by-roads, and in the night they took shelter in a wood. In this way they travelled upwards of one hundred miles, calling only at some obscure wine-houses, to refresh themselves. Sir Sydney's perfect knowledge of the French language, and his unembarrassed behaviour, secured them from suspicion, and facilitated their escape. At length they reached the coast, which the emigrant was well acquainted with. In a small creek they found an open boat with oars, in which they instantly put to sea without loss of time. After tugging and rowing till they were almost worn out, the Argo frigate, Captain Bowen, hove in sight, to whom they made the best signals in their power, and happily they were taken up, and safely landed at Portsmouth on Saturday evening.

On their arrival at the Admiralty, an express was sent off to Earl Spencer at Wimbledon, who came to town immediately. His Lordship warmly congratulated Sir Sydney on his escape, and invited him to dine with him; previous to which, the enterprising Knight paid a visit to the Prince of Wales and the Duke of York.

Sir Sydney is in good health, but his appearance is in some degree indicative of the feverities he has endured.—He was taken prisoner on Monday the 18th of April 1796.

Another account says, that Sir Sydney finding that all hopes of an exchange were vanished, and that his confinement was likely to become more rigorous, determined on an escape the first opportunity that offered.—He had some friends at Paris, who, admiring his gallantry, and commiserating his misfortunes, were anxious to effect his deliverance. It had been ordered that he and Mr Wright, who had been a partner in all his misfortunes, should be removed from the Temple prison in Paris to another jail still more common, called the General Depository. This removal was to take place on Tuesday fortnight last, and measures were accordingly planned to effect a rescue of both these gentlemen.

On that evening they were put into a sacre (or hackney coach) accompanied by two of the jailors. On their way to their new place of confinement a child ran across the street, and was nigh being trampled upon by the horses. At the same time there was a violent shrieking; the coach stopped, and a kind of mob instantly surrounded the carriage. The coach door was opened, and Sir Sydney and Mr Wright escaped. A chaise was in readiness to convey them instantly out of Paris, which was done without the slightest inconvenience or bustle. They made immediately for the coast about Havre.

It is said, that a few days previous to his escape, an order had been given by the Minister of Police to confine Sir Sydney Smith more rigorously, and to limit the extent of the walk allowed him to take the air, though it was only two hours each day. He had been nominally allowed a louis d'or a-day by the Government, but had never received any money for the last seven months. He had only the ordinary allowance of the prison; but several friends did all in their power to render his situation as comfortable as possible.

There is nothing dishonourable in the expedient adopted by him to recover his liberty. The enemy never granted him a parole, and such was their inveteracy towards him, that they rejected every overture made by our Ministers to procure his release. From this inhuman conduct, it is not unreasonable to suppose that they were desirous of his falling a victim to the feverities of a close confinement; and therefore we sincerely rejoice at the happy opportunity that occurred to effect his liberty, and restore him to his country.

The Infant Princess of Wales is totally recovered from the small pox.

The Prince of Wales has taken the lead in a most powerful and patriotic plan, which will, no doubt, be speedily followed by all the nobility and gentry in every part of the kingdom. His Royal Highness has enrolled his domestics, and entered them into the parish corps of St James's, for the purpose of learning the use of arms, and being ready at a moment's call in defence of their king and their country.

The Duke de Berry, accompanied by his Serene Highness the Prince of Orange went to the Queen's house on Friday, and being introduced by Lord Grenville, had a long interview with his Majesty in the presence of his Royal Highness the Duke of York. The Duke de Berry, it is said, came to tender his services to raise a regiment of his own countrymen to be employed in the British service.

At a late Convention of the Bishops, it was decided, that it is not consistent with the functions of the clergy to enrol or accept commissions in volunteer corps—and circular letters to this effect have been circulated throughout the several dioceses.

Mr Grattan has brought from Ireland an Address from the Whig Club of that country, expressive of attachment to his Majesty's person and Government, but complaining of the present system of the Government of that country. It is written by Mr Grattan, and is to be presented on Wednesday by Lord Moira and Mr Fox.

Gen. Cuyler is coming home; he is to leave Martique towards the close of the present month.

## NAUTICAL INTELLIGENCE.

We understand that Government have received very certain advice that the French and Venetian fleets in the Mediterranean are at sea. It is the knowledge of this circumstance that caused Lord St Vincent to leave the Tagus at only four hours notice. He failed to the southward, and is probably gone to watch the Gut of Gibraltar, as well as Cadiz, which, from their proximity, he can do with one and the same force. His Lordship's fleet consists of the following ships:—

Ship	Commander
Ville de Paris,	Adm. the Earl St Vincent, Capt. Sir R. Calder, Capt. G. Grey.
Prince George,	Rear Adm. Sir W. Parker, Capt. W. Bowen.
Princess Royal,	Rear Adm. Sir J. Orde, Capt. J. Draper.
London,	Capt. J. C. Purvis, Rear Adm. T. L. Frederick, Capt. R. Campbell.
Blenheim,	Capt. Sotheby, Capt. W. H. Kelly.
Namur,	Rear Adm. Sir H. Nelson, Capt. E. Berry.
Gibraltar,	Capt. A. J. Bull, D. Gould.
Vanguard,	H. D. Darby, G. Murray.
Alexander,	T. Trowbridge, W. Brown.
Audacious,	C. Collingwood, T. Foley.
Bellerophon,	E. Apin, G. E. Westcott.
Colossus,	T. Louis, Sir J. Saumarez.
Culloden,	R. Hallowell, R. W. Miller.
Defence,	H. Savage, Samuel Hood.
Excellent,	T. B. Thompson, R. Williams.
Goliath,	J. Nibbel, W. Luke.
Hector,	T. M. Waller, A. Wilton.
Majestic,	Lord H. Powlett, J. Giffard.
Minotaur,	A. Hope, H. Hotham.
Orion,	J. N. Morris, J. H. Gage.
Swiftsure,	H. Digby, John Lee.
Thetis,	R. Retalick, B. James.
Warrior,	T. M. Hardy, H. F. Edgell.
Zealous,	H. Downman, L. Q. Bland.
Leander,	
Gorgon,	
Dolphin, (hospital ship),	
Caroline,	
Emerald,	
Flora,	
Thalia,	
El Mahonifa,	
Alcmene,	
Blanche,	
Lively,	
Terpsichore,	
Aurora,	
Camel, (storeship),	
La Bonne Citoyenne,	
Corio,	
La Murine,	
Pluto,	
Speedy,	
Thunder, (bomb),	

We expect every moment to hear of an engagement between the combined fleets and Lord St Vincent.

The first fleet from Jamaica is expected from thence towards the close of next month.

One of the last Paris papers contains the following paragraph—"Two convoys, which failed from Nantz at different periods, laden with provisions and stores, were obliged to enter the bay of Audierne; but they have now arrived at Brest, to the number of 65 sail, under the escort of several small vessels.

Seven hundred and eighty vessels, capable of carrying 100 men each, one cannon, and drawing not more than 18 inches of water, are stated to be building between Calais and the Texel, and are to be ready in three weeks.

The enemy, on the coast of Normandy, have constructed lugger boats, of considerable size, which they term flats. They draw only three feet water, are capable of containing 200 men, and carry one eighteen-pounder on a field-carriage. Thirty of these, together with 20 gun-boats, each mounting three 36 pounders, and several cutters, having on board near 20,000 men, are collected at la Hogue, for the purpose of attacking the islands of St Marcou, when the absence of our frigates would render them an easy prize.

All French privateers have been ordered by the Directory to return to port on the 1st inst.

A list of navy-officers has just been published at Paris. It appears there are six Admirals, without including Bruys and Pleville Lepeley, lately promoted; 16 Rear-Admirals, not including Bedout, Courand, Terrasson, and Decres, also lately promoted; 49 commanders of divisions; 50 Captains of ships of the first class; 48 ditto of the second class; 183 Captains of frigates; 527 Lieutenants, and 879 Ensigns.

Two passage vessels, a Swede, and a Dane, arrived on Friday night at Dover, from Gravelines, with passengers on board, amongst whom were four French Physicians, to attend the French prisoners now in confinement in this country.

The Martha, Coggeshall, (an American) from Savannah, arrived at Falmouth, was boarded the 20th ult. by the Naiad frigate, who the day before had cut out of Brest water a national corvette, of 18 guns, nine-pounders, and 130 men; and on the 1st inst. she passed Lord Bridport's fleet, off Scilly.

The Bremen, of Jamaica, 500 tons burthen, laden with sugar, coffee, cotton, and rum, valued at a million of livres (40,000l.) is taken by P'Hereux Decide, of Bourdeaux. This vessel has entered Bourdeaux river.

By private accounts from France we learn, that Mr Pinckney, one of the American Commissioners, had been ordered to quit the territory of France, and had in consequence gone to Bourdeaux, to endeavour to procure a passage for America.

Letters from Stein, dated the 13th April, state, that great discontents prevail at Moscow, and at Petersburg; that the new system adopted by Paul, and still more, his follies, have turned many people against him. His ridiculous sumptuary laws, and the strictness with which they are carried into execution, have occasioned many foreigners of all nations to quit Russia.

Dumourier's residence is now at Altona, where he is attended with unshaken fidelity by his valet, and *ci-devant* Aid-de-camp Baptiste. He fees a great deal of company, whom he frequently disgusts by recounting his victories, and speaking with the same air of vanity and insolence for which he was so remarkable at the head of the French armies. He appears to dislike the present Government and principles of his countrymen; but cannot conceal his exultation in speaking of their victories.

We had accounts on Saturday from France, which represent that country in a state of perfect tranquillity; provisions were reduced to moderate prices, viz. beef and mutton to 3d. per lb. butter 5d. and eggs 12 a penny.

We understand that Mrs Adamson, the unhappy wife of the unfortunate man now sentenced to die for forgery, expired on Thursday of a broken heart. She had not been married twelve months; she had not long been blessed with a first born, but the recent calamity of the family has eased them both of their misery, for the child is also dead.

Friday, the Duke of Bedford had an interview of two hours with the Prince of Wales at Carlton House. The Italian Gazettes state, that the King of Sardinia dispatched, on the 17th ult. an extraordinary courier to Count Balbo, his Ambassador at Paris, charging him to inform the Directory that that country was again menaced with revolutionary measures, and earnestly praying him to inform him of the intentions of the Directory on that subject, as the King of Sardinia is determined voluntarily to abdicate his throne, if such should be his lot.

## CORN EXCHANGE, MAY 7.

English Wheat,	35 48 0	Malt,	37 30 0
Effect,	50 53 0	Fine,	40 0 0
Barley,	24 30 0	New Oats,	16 20 0
Fine,	31 0 0	Mealings,	21 24 0

## STOCKS.

BANK STOCK	INDIA STOCK
3 per cent. con. 48 1/2	Long Ann. 13 5-16
4 per cent. 58 1/2	Short 6 1-16
5 per cent. Ann. 73 1/2	Lot. Tick.

## Caledonian Mercury.

EDINBURGH—MAY 10.

[FROM OUR LONDON CORRESPONDENT.]

## HOUSE OF LORDS, May 7.

The following Bills received the Royal assent by commission viz.—The Loan Bill—The Prize Causes Bill—The Bill for improving the Harbour of Leith—And some Private Bills. The Commissioners were the Lord Chancellor, the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the Earl of Chesterfield. Lord Carnarvon moved for a list of all the Officers appointed to the Supplementary Militia, &c.—Ordered.

## HOUSE OF COMMONS, May 7.

Colonel SMOLLET presented a paper called a Memorial Petition from the Freeholders, Justices of the Peace, Commissioners of Supply, &c. in the County of Darnley, praying that a direct and equal tax might be imposed upon every lot of property, real and personal. Before the Petition was brought up, Mr Buxton rose to state that he heartily approved of the principle of this application, and he hoped that the House would sanction it by some legislative measure. The SPEAKER observed, that this paper was intitled a Memorial and Petition, but it could only be received as a petition. The Petition was ordered to lie on the table.

## MESSAGE FROM THE LORDS.

A Message from the Lords informed the House that the Lordships had agreed to the Loan Bill. The Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod summoned the House of Commons to attend in the House of Lords, to receive the giving of the Royal Assent by commission to some Public and Private Bills.

## LAND TAX.

Mr ROSE informed the House, that his Right Hon. Friend the Chancellor of the Exchequer was very much indisposed, and could not attend the House that day. He should therefore move, that the order of the day, for the recommittal of a land tax bill, be postponed. It might be taken into consideration on an early day, perhaps to-morrow, if the notice of Mr Hon Gentleman opposite (Mr Tierney) did not stand in the way.

Mr TIERNEY said, he wished to give every accommodation to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, but certainly felt it his duty to call the attention of the House to the conduct of Lord Onslow, as soon as he possibly could.

Mr ROSE then fixed upon Wednesday for the recommittal of Mr JOLIFFE hoped that this was a prelude to the total abandonment of a measure which was at once unpolitic and unpracticable. If the Chancellor of the Exchequer should be absent Wednesday, would the business come on?

Mr ROSE was of a very different opinion from the Gentleman, as to the nature of the measure alluded to; he could assure him that there was no intention to abandon it, but he could not say that the House would proceed with a bill in the absence of his Right Hon. Friend.

Mr JOLIFFE said, if this was not abandoning the measure, it was at least putting it off sine die. The Committee on the Tewkesbury election reported that the sitting member was duly elected, and that the petitions against him were frivolous and vexatious.

Mr HOBHOUSE said, as there was some doubt respecting the proper mode of bringing forward the dispute between Mr Palmer and the Post-office, he should, for the present, waive notice on that subject, which stood for to-morrow.

A bill for regulating the assize of bread was brought up by the Lord Mayor, read a first time and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday.

On the motion of Mr WILBRAHAM BOOTLE, the report respecting the treatment of the French prisoners of war was ordered to be recommitted.

The report of the land-tax Commissioners bill was brought up. Some clauses were added on the motion of Mr ROSE, and the bill was ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

Mr ROSE brought up a bill allowing 200,000l. to be paid to the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, on account of the Commissioners for the reduction of the national debt. It was read a first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The House went into a Committee on the South Sea sinking bill, made some amendments, and ordered the report to be received to-morrow.

The Bill for encouraging the British Fisheries was read a second time, and ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Deferred other orders of the day. Adjourned.

The business of the present Session is in such a state of forwardness, that Parliament is expected to rise the second week in June.

We have to congratulate our readers on the capture of nine Dutch Greenlandmen, one flight, and a fly boat, which we hope are by this time safely moored in Yarmouth Roads.

We are happy to announce the safe arrival of Sir SYDNEY SMITH in London, having made his escape from France, where he has been confined since April 1796. For particulars see a foregoing column.

From the Paris papers it appears that when the accounts of the tumult at Vienna reached Paris, every artifice was used to impress the public mind with an idea that the populace were stirred up to the part they acted by the Ministers of England and Russia, who were hurt at the marked attention paid to the French Minister by the Court of Vienna.

Died, at Kilwinning Manse, upon the 4th current, the Rev. THOMAS POLLOCK, minister of that parish.

Died at Greenock, on the 2d instant, Captain ROBERT BAINE, shipmaster universally regretted.

On Saturday the 5th instant, died at Dunichen, in the county of Forfar, Mrs JOHN HAMILTON DEMPSTER, spouse to Captain John Hamilton Dempster of Polrossie; and late in the service of the East India Company.

On Sunday the 6th instant, died at Dalry near Edinburgh, Mr JOHN MAWER, nurseryman.

The persons employed at the Ballendalloch Cotton Work (in all 129 men and women) have every one subscribed to the voluntary contribution. The whole amounts to 211. 6s. 6d. and is an instance of unanimity extremely praiseworthy.







# HAIR-POWDER TAX.

**STAMP-OFFICE, Edinburgh, 30th April 1798.**  
**NOTICE** is hereby given, that the Hair-Powder Certificate will continue to be given at this office, and the respective offices in the country, as formerly advertised, for two weeks longer from this date, from ten o'clock forenoon till three afternoon, for payment of the duty only.  
 Every person wearing Hair-powder since the 5th April current, without having taken out a certificate, forfeits twenty pounds.  
**ALEXANDER MENZIES, Head Distributor and Collector, North Britain.**  
*N. B. Information will be received by the Collector against all persons wearing Hair-powder without a licence, who will give suitable rewards to the informers; and those who neglect to take out certificates after this intimation, will have themselves to blame for being prosecuted for the penalty of 20s. An alphabetical list is always ready for inspection at this office, and also at the other offices in the country.*

## VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS.

	Including the new adjustment.	Over and above all taxes.
Mr Muir, Edinburgh	—	L. 2 2 0
Mr Robert Plenderleath, Edinburgh	—	10 10 0
Subscribed in the town and parish of Huntly	—	94 0 0
Mrs Wardrope, Caltonhill	—	3 3 0
Mrs Nimmo, Charles-street	—	3 3 0
Mr Robert Walker, Poole's Hotel	—	10 10 0
A Lady, subscribing A. Hopewell, Strathmore	—	10 0 0
Henry David Inglis, Esq. advocate	—	10 10 0
Mr N. Lomian, grocer, Newtown	—	2 2 0
Messrs James Miller & Son	—	5 5 0
Mr David Miller, teacher	—	5 5 0
Mr W. Stevenson, Chamberlain of Arran	—	10 10 0
Messrs Wm. Braidwood & Son	—	5 5 0
Robert Keith, Esq. of Gracemount	—	21 0 0
Dr Andrew Farquharson, Leith Walk	—	21 0 0
Collected in Capt. Hume's company, 1st. regt. R. E. V. (independent of 479l. 15s. subscribed separately by individuals of that company)	—	56 1 6
Mr John Miller, Royal Infirmary	—	4 4 0
Mr David Bonthorn, journeyman baker, Croscaway	—	1 1 0
Mr Thomas Sutherland, butcher, Charles Street	—	2 2 0
Mr Thomas Sutherland, tailor, Chrichton Street	—	1 1 0
Mr Lodoveck Sutherland, ham shop, Char- les Street	—	1 1 0
William Keith, Esq. accomprant, Edin.	50 0	20 0 0
James Erskine of Cardross, Esq.	209 5	150 0 0
James Stirling of Keir, Esq.	400 0	600 0 0

The following Inhabitants of the Parish of St. Cuthbert's, per delivered by the Rev. Mr. Paul.  
 Messrs. George Newton, West Kirk, Maryfield  
 Alexander Milne, Kirkbridehead  
 James Forrester, merchant, Simon's square  
 Andrew Hutchison, late flesher, Edin.  
 William Lockhart, sheriff clerk's office  
 William Monteith, baker, Croscaway  
 The following Additional Subscriptions at Kirkcaldy, besides the sum of 202l. 16s. already published.

Messrs. J. Black	L 10 0	J. Philp	1 10 0	A. Hutchison	1 1 0	W. Skimmer & Co.	5 5 0	C. Melville	1 1 0	W. Philp	5 5 0	J. Duncan	1 1 0	A. Alexander	10 10 0	W. Skimmer, sen.	2 2 0	J. Scott	0 5 0	J. Hutchison	1 1 0	A. Wyllie	10 10 0	W. Stark	5 5 0	G. Haggie	10 10 0	J. Wilson	10 10 0	W. Greig & Son	1 1 0	J. Anderson	2 2 0	A. Adam	1 1 0	A. Miller & Co.	5 5 0	G. Heron, jun.	1 1 0	G. Spier	21 0 0	Mrs. McGill	5 5 0	W. Douglas	1 1 0	J. Tuncall	0 5 0	J. Gourlay	0 5 0	D. Condie	2 2 0	R. Haggie	1 1 0	G. Beveridge, jun.	1 1 0	Mrs. M. Whyt	5 5 0	James Belfour	2 2 0	A. Hutchison, jun.	1 1 0
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Voluntary Contributions of the Inhabitants of the parish of St. Monance for the Defence of the Country.

The Rev. Mr. Gillies	L 1 1 0	J. Miller, wright	0 3 0	A. Fyfe, tailor	0 5 0	J. Fyfe, fisher	0 1 0	J. Fyfe, jun. do.	0 1 0	F. Brabner, servant	0 1 0	J. Cook, collier	0 1 0	A. Ireland, labourer	0 1 0	R. Crichton, agent at salt work	0 5 0	W. Lata, filter	0 2 0	J. Cation, do.	0 2 0	J. Oliphant, millwright	0 2 0	A. Matheson, tailor	0 1 0	T. Poulton, do.	0 1 0	W. Fortune, merchant	10 0 0	D. Cook, servant	0 1 0	T. Eason, fisher	0 5 0	A. Brown, brewer	0 2 0	W. Smith, servant	0 2 0	J. Wilton, fisher	0 2 0	J. Lindfay, collier	0 1 0	G. Christie, do.	0 1 0	J. Elder, collier	0 2 0	W. Thomson, school-maister	0 5 0	R. Smart, tailor	0 1 0	J. Wilson, fisher	0 3 0	R. Reckie, weaver	0 3 0	A. Hutt, sailor	0 2 0	T. Wilson, do.	0 2 0	T. Lawrie, do.	0 2 0	Peter Bower	0 2 0	W. Duncan, fisher	0 2 0	R. Gowans, felter	0 2 0	J. Irvine, do.	0 2 0	J. Smith, labourer	0 1 0	T. Allan, feuer	0 1 0	C. Lawrie, felter	0 2 0	D. Eason, jun. do.	0 2 0	J. Dickson, smith, and a real friend to King and Government	0 6 0	W. Russell, tenant	0 5 0	A. Whyte, wright	0 1 0	W. Cooper, tenant	0 5 0	J. Cooper, do.	0 2 0	J. Cooper, jun. do.	0 2 0	W. Black, servant	0 6 0	J. Galloway, do.	0 6 0	A. Mackie, smith	0 1 0	W. Mackie, do.	0 1 0	D. Wilson, weaver	0 1 0	J. Tarvas, labourer	0 1 0	H. Fulton, servant	0 6 0	J. Simpson, tenant	0 5 0	T. Lindfay, tailor	0 1 0	W. Givan, labourer	0 1 0
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# The following Subscriptions in the Parish of Fala.

Rev. Mr. Singers, minister, Fala Manse, (subscribed formerly at Dalkeith)	2 8 0	Mrs. Singers, Fala Manse	0 10 6	Miss Singers, do.	0 2 6	Hugh Dalrymple Singers, do.	0 2 6	Dr. Lauder, at Fensible regiment, Fala House, a second subscription	2 2 0	Mrs. Lauder, Fala House	3 3 0	Thomas Oliver, farmer, Fala Hall	2 2 0	William Gibson, ditto, Fala Parks	1 1 0	James Lamb, ditto, Soutra	1 1 0	David Hunter, ditto, Soutra Mains	2 2 0	James Rutherford, ditto, Upper Brotherhones	1 1 0	James Pearson, ditto, Fala Mill	0 5 0	James Pearson, ditto, ditto	0 5 0	John Pearson, joiner, Fala Dam	0 5 0	James Brokey, mason, Fala	0 7 6	Betty Brokey, sister to James Brokey, ditto	0 2 6	John Brokey, mason, ditto	0 2 6	John Paterson, schoolmaster, ditto	0 2 6	Thomas Rutherford, wright, ditto	0 2 6	John Notman, carrier, ditto	0 1 6	James Paton, weaver, ditto	0 1 0	James Oliver, smith, ditto	0 2 6	Christian Wight, spouse to James Oliver, ditto	0 1 0	Adam Dryden, driver of the Charlotte coach, ditto	0 2 6	George Somerville, shoemaker, ditto	0 1 0	Helen Bell, spouse to George Somerville, ditto	0 1 0	Thomas Houden, wright, ditto	0 2 6	Janet Clapperton, spouse to Thomas Houden, ditto	0 1 0	Murdoch M'Cloud, day labourer, ditto	0 1 0	George Crawford, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	James Fife, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Andrew Pearson, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Rachel Thomson, spouse to Andrew Pearson, ditto	0 1 0	James Peter, baker, ditto	0 2 6	Robert Ritchie, tailor, ditto	0 1 0	James Cochran, innkeeper, ditto	0 2 6	William Slater, tailor, ditto	0 10 6	Peter Kirks, servant to the Reverend Mr. Singers, Fala Manse	0 1 6	Marcon Maule, ditto, ditto	0 2 6	George Hogg, ditto to Dr. Lauder, Fala House	0 1 0	Janet Allison, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Wm. Davis, servant to Mr. Oliver, farmer, Falahall	0 1 0	Thomas M'Laren, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	John Chisholm, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Eliza Davy, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Janet Somerville, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Elizabeth Simpson, servant to Mr. Gibson, farmer, Fala Parks	0 1 0	William Easton, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Robt. Hutchison, servant to Mr. Lamb, farmer, Soutra	0 1 0	James Hutchison, ditto, ditto	0 2 6	William Hutchison, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Andrew Dick, miller, Soutra Mill	0 3 0	Betty Moffat, spouse to ditto, ditto	0 1 0	James Dick, son to ditto, ditto	0 1 0	George Dick, son to ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Adam Knox, servant to Mr. Hunter, farmer, Soutra Mains	0 1 0	John Knox, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	John Stirling, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	James Shields, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Thomas Lawson, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Robert Mitchell, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	James Nelf, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Wm. Waterston and spouse, shepherd to ditto, ditto	0 2 0	Geo. Waterston and spouse, do. to ditto, ditto	0 2 0	Geo. Stirling and spouse, ditto, to ditto, ditto	0 2 0	Jean Stirling, servant to ditto, ditto	0 1 0	James Handfield, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	John Wight, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	James Affleck, servant to Mr. Rutherford, farmer, Upper Brotherhones	0 1 0	James Emrie, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Robert Young, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	John Dick, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	William Hardie, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Donald Fraser, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Mary Keir, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Agnes Dick, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Margaret Pringle, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	James Rutherford, indweller, Gifford	0 5 0	Eliz. Wilson, spouse to J. Pearson, sen. Fala Mill	0 2 6	Jean Pearson, daughter to ditto, ditto	0 2 6	John Taylor, servant to Mr. Pearson, ditto	0 2 0	W. Lawson, ditto, ditto	0 1 6	W. Muckure, ditto, ditto, a boy	0 1 0	John Laurie, ditto, ditto	0 1 0	Agnes Frier, spouse to J. Laurie, ditto	0 1 0	James Dabson, weaver, Fala Dam	0 2 6	James Keir, wright, with John Pearson, ditto	0 1 0	T. Currier, steward to Mr. Brown of Johnstonburn	0 1 0	W. I. yall, servant to ditto	0 1 0	Janet Lamb, cottager, Soutra	0 1 0	W. Christie, keeper of Deaburn toll	0 2 6	Joseph Brokey, mason, Soutrahill toll	0 3 0	W. Moffat, porter, Deaburn	0 3 0	W. Lees, tackman, Soutrahill toll	0 5 0	R. Pringle, porter, Soutrahill	0 2 0	Betty Fife, daughter to J. Fife, day labourer, Fala	0 1 0	Hugh Cameron, day labourer, Tuniplea	0 1 0	Margaret Dalrymple, spouse to Hugh Cameron, ditto	0 2 0	William Smith, servant to Mrs. Falconer, Woodcote	0 2 0	Ja. Fairbairn, servant Mrs. Falconer, ditto	0 1 0	John Blakey, servant to Mrs. Falconer, ditto	0 1 0	Eliza McDowall, servant to Mrs. Falconer, ditto	0 3 0	Mary Monilaws, servant to Mrs. Falconer, ditto	0 1 0	Rabiny Anderson, servant to Mrs. Falconer, ditto	0 1 0	Agnes Cunningham, servant to Mrs. Falconer, ditto	0 2 0	Robert Taylor, indweller, Kilnhouse, at Soutrahill Toll	0 1 0	Robert Lees, farmer, Nether Brotherhones	0 5 6	Thomas Lees, ditto, ditto	0 5 0	William Murray, shepherd to Mrs. Lees, Nether Brotherhones	0 1 0	Servants to Major M'Lean, Colterston, parish of Crichton.	0 10 6	Mrs. Kemp	0 10 6	Thomas Huddellon, Robert Amos, Jas. Allan, W. Burns, and Janet Hardie, 5s. each	1 5 0	Agnes Wood, Betty Kitchen, Betty Batternaice, and Bella Pearson, 2s. 6d. each	0 10 0
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# THE TRUSTEES for putting in execution the TURNPIKE ACTS of the county of Edinburgh, are requested to meet in the Old Judiciary Court House of Edinburgh, on Saturday the 12th day of May inst. at 12 o'clock noon.

At this Meeting the Trustees will EXPOSE TO ROUP, for one year, or for such other period, not exceeding three years, as the Trustees may then determine, the TOLL DUTIES collected at the two following bars, viz.

**LOANHEAD**—in the district of Corstorphine.—Sir John Inglis, Convener—Entry 15th May.

**HOWDENBRIDGE**, formerly Combfoot, including the CUSTOMS at NORTH BRIDGE of CALDER—in Cader district.—John Davie, Esq. of Gavieside, Convener—Entry 14th August.

Persons intending to offer, will be careful to bring their cautions along with them, and they will observe, that by way of encouragement, security is now required to the extent of one sixth of the rent only.

Thomas Cranfoun, W. S. No. 23. North Castle Street, Edinburgh, will shew the articles of roup, and inform as to other particulars, and persons inclining to treat for either of the Toll Bars before mentioned, previous to the day of roup will be pleased to apply without delay to the Conveners of the two districts, who have full powers from the last General Meeting to negotiate with intending tackmen, and to close a bargain if suitable offers be made, not under the present yearly rent or rack duty.

The CLERKS of the DISTRICTS will please to take notice, that such of them as propose to roup their Toll Duties in any next, must apply to this General Meeting for authority to do so and for that purpose signed motions should be previously lodged with Mr. Cranfoun.

# VALUABLE SALMON FISHERIES

**AT ABERDEEN.**  
 THE PROPRIETORS of THREE FOURTH SHARES of the NETHER DON and CRUIVE FISHERIES on DON are ready to receive sealed tenders or offers for the sale of the fish that shall be caught on these fisheries, for the five following seasons, commencing at Andermole, or 12th December next, in the present year 1798, and deliverable at the river side, as usual. The offers to apply to the under mentioned periods in the season, and to be given in to Charles Bannerman, advocate in Aberdeen, on or before twelve o'clock noon of Tuesday the 22d of May next, when they will be opened in the New Inn of Aberdeen, in presence of the gentlemen concerned, and of such of the offerers as chuse to attend; and the highest offerer, on a fair competition, will be preferred, on finding security—viz.—

For the SALMON, per pound Amsterdam.  
 From the commencement of the season to the 30th of April.  
 From that to 30th May.  
 From that to 15th July.  
 And from that to the end of the season, or 18th September inclusive.

For the GRILSES per pound Amsterdam.  
 From the commencement of the fishing during the season.  
 The price of all the fish caught previous to the 20th of June, to be then payable in Aberdeen; and from that date to the end of the season, on the 20th of December thereafter.  
 That the offers may not be opened before the time appointed, it is requested that they may be inclosed in an envelope, addressed as above, and marked—"OFFER FOR THE DON FISHERIES."

## DALACHY LIME WORKS.

THE BURNING of LIME has commenced at these Works. The prices are as formerly.

RAW STONE, at 2s. 10d per ton of 22 cwt.  
 SHELLS, at 1s. 6d. 2 per boll, five pease measure  
 SLACKED LIME, at 5d. 2 containing 88 Scots pints.  
 Free of all harbour or shore dues.

The Limestone is of the finest quality, being perfectly free from sand, and therefore in great request for the use of Foundries, and although the prices are apparently higher than at other works in the neighbourhood, yet upon trial, the Lime will be found cheaper, as one boll of Shells produces 3½ bolls of slacked Lime; and one boll of Lime requires three bolls of Sand for building; so it is equally advantageous to the Farmer and Builder; and particularly so when carried a considerable distance, either by sea or land.  
 The harbour of Starley Burn is commodious, safe, and completely sheltered, and has 10 feet water at neap tides, and 16 feet in spring tides.  
 Orders addressed to Hugh Coventry, factor for the Earl of Morton, at Aberdeen, will be punctually attended to; and it is requested that those who wish to be supplied with lime, will give their commissions as early as possible, in order to their being expeditiously served, and be pointed in their directions to prevent mistakes.  
 Shipmasters wanted to contract with for carriage of lime.

## SHEEP FARMS.

THE EXTENSIVE SHEEP FARMS at the head of Lochfine, in the shire of Argyle, possessed by Hugh and Alexander Macpherson, and near Lochgoilhead, in the same shire, possessed by James Campbell, are to be SET for nineteen years; the first from Whitfriday 1799, the other from Whitfriday 1800.

Proposals may be given in any time before the 1st July next, to the proprietor at Ardinknife, or Mr. Forbes, the factor, or to Mr. Ferrier, W. S. Edinburgh.

## SALE OF LANDS

In the County of BERWICK.

To be Sold by public roup, in the course of the month of July next, the time and place, to be expressed in a future advertisement.

THE ESTATE of WHITSOMELAWS, lying in the parish of Whithorn, and county of Berwick, consisting of 670 English acres, all arable, and whereof about 140 have been substantially inclosed, and are at present in grass.  
 The lands hold of the Crown, and are valued at about 725 Scots.

This estate is particularly well circumstanced for improvement; it contains an inexhaustible stock of clay marle, and is situated six miles south-east of the market town of Dunfermline, and eleven miles from Berwick.  
 Mr. Thomas Jeffrey, the present tenant, will shew the lands, and for further particulars, enquire at Mr. James Veatch at Merfington, by Dunfermline, or at Mr. Swinton, W. S. Queen Street, who is empowered to receive offers, and to conclude a private bargain.

## SALE OF LANDS AND SUPERIORITIES, IN THE COUNTIES OF LINLITHGOW AND LANARK.

To be Sold by Public Voluntary Roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffee House, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 23d day of May next, at 12 o'clock, noon.

THE LANDS and BARONY of WHITBURN, with the Town, Inn, Mill, Mill Lands, Teinds and Percuties; together with certain Superiorities, which with the property lands, give a freehold qualification, all lying in the parish of Whitburn and county of Linlithgow.—They are all inclosed and subdivided, and amount to about 531 Scots acres, of which about 205 acres are under planting.—The present free rent and feu duties, exclusive of the planting 1433l. 14s. 6d. sterling.—The tenants pay the cess over and above their rents. The Mill has a considerable thrilage over the adjacent country.

## THE LANDS OF EASTER BREICH,

lying in the parish of Livingstone and county of Linlithgow, with the teinds and percuties. These lands are all inclosed and subdivided. They consist of about 841 acres, whereof about 20 are under planting. The present free rent, exclusive of the planting, is 310l. 13s. 3d. sterling. Except one farm, they hold blench of the crown, and afford a freehold qualification.  
 The teinds of both these lots are heritably disposed, valued, and exhausted, and the lands having been but lately inclosed and planted, the benefit arising therefrom will only be obtained at next set, which in general is at no great distance. They lie upon the mid track of the intended canal between Edinburgh and Glasgow, and on or near the turnpike road by Livingstone, and within from 16 to 20 miles of Edinburgh. They are full of coal, iron, and free stone, and afford a variety of water falls for draining these minerals, or driving machinery for other purposes.  
 At same time will be exposed,  
 The following SUPERIORITIES or FREEHOLD QUALIFICATIONS, lying in the Counties, paying the different yearly feu-duties, and of the respective valuations as mentioned, viz.—

## SUPERIORITIES.

LANDS.	Counties.	Parishes.	Feu-duties Sterling, L. s. d.	Valuation Scots, L. s. d.
1. Little Blackburn, &c.	Linlithgow.	Whitburn.	0 13 11 8-12	411 4 6
2. Parts of West Whitburn.	Ditto.	Ditto.	0 7 8	441 13 2
3. Part of Barony of Ogilvie.	Ditto.	Tor-phichen.	2 18 10 8-12	402 18 0
4. Ditto do.	Ditto.	Ditto.	1 8 1 8-12	405 6 8
5. Easter Redmyre, Tarbrax, &c.	Lanark.	Camulphingh.	1 2 2 8-12	477 14 0

## TO BE SOLD BY PRIVATE BARGAIN.

Another FREEHOLD QUALIFICATION in the County of Lanark, yearly feu-duty 11. 11. 5. 4-12ths sterling, and 430l. 15 Scots of valbed rent.  
 These superiorities are all held blench of the Crown, and stand separately valued in the cess books. None of the entries of singular successors are taxed, except a pendicle in Low 1st, and a farm in Lot 2d, at 40l. sterling.  
 Mr. John M'Kellar in Mid-Cadder, or the tenants will shew the lands, and for further particulars, application may be made to James, Gray, writer, Buccughen Place, Edinburgh, who has powers to conclude a private bargain.

# LEAD ORE TO BE SOLD.

To be SOLD at Cullin Hill, near the Toll Bar, North Queensferry.  
 A SMALL quantity of LEAD ORE.—James Reid, the Overfeet, at Inverkeithing, will shew the mineral, and a dinburgh, to whom, or to Hugh Coventry, at Aberdeen, persons wishing to purchase may apply.

# LANDS IN KINROSS-SHIRE.

Upset Price reduced.  
 To be SOLD, by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Tuesday, the 15th May next, at one o'clock afternoon.  
 ONE HALF of the Fourth Part of the TOWN and LANDS of DALQUICH, lying in the parish of Orwell, and Shire of Kinross.

For particulars apply to Mr. Robert Stark, writer in Cupar Fife; or Mr. Grame, Nicolson's Square, Edinburgh.  
 N. B. The purchaser may be accommodated with the other half of the above Lands, the proprietor being willing to sell at an adequate price.

# SALE OF LANDS IN PERTHSHIRE.

On Wednesday the 27th day of June 1798, between the hours of one and two afternoon, will be exposed to sale within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh—

THE LANDS of EASTER and WESTER CARRIE, with the SALMON FISHERIES and Ferry Boat belonging thereto, and the Teinds, Parsonage, and Vicarage of the said lands lying in the parish of Abernethy, and shire of Perth.

These lands, consisting of about 136 Scots acres, are of a very rich and valuable soil. There is a convenient Farm House with suitable offices built upon them, and as the whole are now out of lease, the purchaser may enter to possession at the term of Martinmas next.  
 The articles of sale and title-deeds of the lands may be seen in the hands of Alexander Duncan, writer to the signet.

# FARM IN BERWICKSHIRE.

To be LET for 19 years, and entered to at Whitfriday next Martinmas 1799.

THE FARM of LITTLESWINTON, as presently possessed by Mr. James Thomson, containing 728 English acres, or thereby. The greatest part of which is rich arable land, and all inclosed with thriving thorn fences.

This farm, upon which there is a most excellent house, is pleasantly situated in the parish of Swinton, in that part of Berwickshire, called the Merse, six miles south from Dunfermline, about half-way between Berwick and Kelso, and at a moderate distance from Coal and Lime.

Andrew Blair, hedger upon the estate, residing at Kersfield, will shew the lands, and offers in writing addressed to Douglas Ainslie at Cairnbank, near Dunfermline, (in whose hands the conditions of lease may be seen) will be attended to, and such as are not accepted, concealed, if desired.

# FARMS IN THE MERSE.

To be LET, and entered to at Whitfriday 1799, on lease for nineteen years.

THE FARM of SIMPRIM, containing 360 English acres or thereby, of fine arable land, all inclosed, with strong thriving thorn hedges, as presently possessed by Mr. Peter Johnston.

AND,  
 The Farm of BUTTERLAW, or Simprim Westmains, containing 300 English acres, or thereby, of fine arable land, all well inclosed with thriving thorn fences, as presently possessed by Mr. William Dickson.

These farms are agreeably situated in the united parishes of Swinton and Simprim, in the county of Berwick, seven miles south from Dunfermline, about eleven miles from Berwick and Kelso, and at a moderate distance from coal and lime. They are well known in the county to be of excellent soil, and to produce great crops of both corn and grass.

An incoming tenant will enter to one half of these farms in grass, and one-half of the land in tillage, as a fallow break, with the whole dung and straw in Steehow.  
 Andrew Canman, hedger upon the estate, residing at Simprim, will shew the grounds; and offers, in writing, addressed to Captain Patrick Murray of Simprim, to the care of Mr. James Dundas and Hugh Robertson, writers to the signet, Edinburgh, or to Douglas Ainslie, at Cairnbank, near Dunfermline, (in whose hands the conditions of the leases may be seen) will be attended to, and such as are not accepted concealed, if required.

# AN EXTENSIVE STOCK FARM.

To be LET, for the space of sixteen years and a lifetime, and to be entered to at Whitfriday first, 1798.

THE LANDS of SNADON, RAINSLAW, and HOUND HILL, lying in the parish of Garvald, and shire of Haddington.—The farm consist of about 1700 Scots acres, of which very near a half is arable, and most singularly well adapted for turnip husbandry. The lands are capable of the highest improvement, and where lime has been used it has produced the most beneficial effects.

The pasture lands will answer remarkably well for the Cheviot breed of sheep, and the distance from lime is only a few miles.  
 The extent, situation, and soil render this farm one of the most eligible for stock which can be seen, and very rarely to be met with.

Proposals and offers will be received by the proprietor at Yester, by Haddington, or by James Hay, writer to the signet, Edinburgh, and those not accepted will be kept private and returned, if desired.

# FARMS IN ROXBURGHSHIRE.

To be LET for 19 years.

THE FARM of UPPER NISBET, presently possessed by John Young, and consisting of upwards of 1200 English acres, the greatest part of which is rich arable ground, and the rest good pasture lands, which are capable of great improvement.

As also,  
 The Two Farms of NETHER NISBET, as presently possessed by Thomas and Adam Scott, and consisting of about 500 English acres of rich arable ground.—These two will be let as one farm.

These farms lie in the parish of Crailing, and are pleasantly situated on the banks of the river Tiviot, within four miles of Jedburgh and six miles of Kelso.

The houses and grals may be entered to at Whitfriday next, and the arable lands at the separation of the present crop